TO: State Biweekly, State Monthly and Local Government Certifying Officers, Human Resource Directors, and Benefit Administrators

FROM: New Jersey Division of Pensions & Benefits (NJDPB)

SUBJECT: Continuation of Incentive for Joining the State Health Benefits Program's (SHBP) Tiered-Network Plans

For Plan Year 2019, the SHBP will continue to offer an Incentive Program to join the Tiered-Network plans: the Aetna Liberty Plan and the Horizon OMNIA Health Plan.

- State employees may participate
- Local government employees may participate if their employer has adopted a resolution to take part in the Incentive Program
- Available to first-time enrollees in a tiered-network medical plan and continuing for two complete plan years
- Choice of either the Aetna Liberty Plan or the Horizon OMNIA Health Plan
- Employee financial incentive:
 - \$1,000 for single
 - \$1,250 for member/spouse/partner
 - o \$1,250 for parent/child(ren)
 - \$2,000 for family
- Incentive amount shall be paid by a gift card within the first quarter of Plan Year 2019 and is reportable as taxable income
- Incentive will be forfeited and returned to the SHBP if subscriber fails to remain enrolled for at least two plan years (1/1/19 through 12/31/20)

Employees who wish to enroll in one of the tiered-network plans should submit their certified application during our Open Enrollment period. For more information about the tiered-network plans and the financial incentive program, see the <u>Tiered-Network Incentive Program page</u> of our website.

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